THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION

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## **COMPLAINT AT LAW**

## **COUNT I**

NOW COMES the Plaintiff, RANDY HASSEN, by and through his attorneys JOHN T. CICHON, complaining against the Defendant, PRUVIT VENTURES, INC., states as follows:

- 1. The Plaintiff, RANDY HASSEN, is a citizen and resident of the State of Illinois. The Defendants, PRUVIT VENTURES, INC., is a corporation doing business in the State of Texas, registered in the State of Texas with its principle place of business in Melissa, Texas. The amount in controversy, exclusive of interest and costs, exceeds the sum of \$75,000.00. Jurisdiction is proper in this Court pursuant to 28 USC Section 1332, wherein this is a claim between citizens of different states and the amount in controversy exceeds \$75,000.00.
- 2. On and prior to December 23, 2016, the Defendant, PRUVIT VENTURES, INC., (hereinafter referred to as "PRUVIT") was engaged in the business of manufacturing, selling, and distributing for sale to the general public ketone supplement products including a certain ketone supplement product by the name of "KETO//OS Orange Dream" flavor Product Number 1631602, involved in the occurrence complained of herein.

- 3. On and prior to December 23, 2013, Defendant, PRUVIT, marketed said ketone supplement as a means to achieve weight loss goals, performance goals, and health and longevity.
- 4. Prior to December 23, 2016, the Plaintiff, RANDY HASSEN, received said ketone supplement through a promotion on Facebook, by a promoter for PRUVIT, Cassandra Monday.
- 5. Prior to December 23, 2016, Plaintiff, RANDY HASSEN, commenced consumption of said ketone supplement, "KETO//OS Orange Dream" as directed on the packaging.
- 6. On or around December 23, 2016, Plaintiff RANDY HASSEN, was caused to be injured when he passed out as a result of consumption of said ketone supplement.
- 7. At all times mentioned herein, the Defendant PRUVIT was under an obligation to supply ketone supplement products that were reasonably suited to the purposes for which they were produced, and had a duty to supply ketone supplement products that would not cause injury to Plaintiff and other consumers.
- 8. The Defendant, PRUVIT, had a duty to design, manufacture, produce, and distribute, said ketone supplements so that it was neither defective nor unreasonably dangerous when put to the use for which it was designed, manufactured, produced, and distributed.
- 9. At the time the "KETO//OS" supplement left the possession of the Defendant, PRUVIT VENTURES, INC., and at the time said ketone supplement entered the stream of commerce, the ketone supplement was in an unreasonably dangerous and defective condition. These defects included but were not limited to the following:
  - a. It was inadequately designed for the purposes for which it was sold;

- b. It failed to include sufficient and adequate instructions and warnings;
- c. There was a failure to provide adequate warning to consumers or users of the dangers or hazards inherent in the use of said ketone supplement.
- d. Was otherwise careless and negligent in the design and manufacture of said ketone supplement.
- 10. As a direct and proximate result and in consequence of one or more of the said wrongful acts of the Defendant, PRUVIT, and the unreasonably dangerous and defective condition of said ketone supplement, the Plaintiff was caused to be injured after ingesting said ketone supplement, and thereby sustained severe and permanent injuries; and as a result thereof he has suffered and with reasonable certainty will continue to suffer great pain and discomfort and is likely to experience further pain and discomfort in the future, and he has been and will be required to expend large sums of money for the care and treatment of his said injury and in the future will be required to expend additional sums for the care and treatment of said injury and he has been and will be hindered from attending to his usual affairs and duties as a result of said injury.

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiff, RANDY HASSEN, asks for judgment against the Defendants, PRUVIT VENTURES, INC., in an amount in excess of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00), exclusive of costs and for all other relief just and proper in the premises.

## **COUNT II**

The Plaintiff, RANDY HASSEN, complaining against the Defendant, PRUVIT GEAR, hereby adopts Paragraphs 1 through 10 of Count I as Paragraphs 1 through 10 of this Count II and proceeds as follows:

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiff, RANDY HASSEN, asks for judgment against the Defendants, PRUVIT GEAR in an amount in excess of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00), exclusive of costs and for all other relief just and proper in the premises.

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